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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Serial No. 09/755,046

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**Technology Center 2600** 

Filed: January 8, 2001

Examiner: Timothy Johnson

For: RULED LINE EXTRACTING APPARATUS FOR EXTRACTING RULED LINE FROM

NORMAL DOCUMENT IMAGE AND METHOD THEREOF

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on March 24, 2004. A Petition for a One-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to April 24, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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